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DCM ASKED MFA'S ACTING POLITICAL DIRECTOR BIERRING

FEB. 14 FOR DANISH VIEWS ON NAC/POLITICAL DIRECTORS

MEETING AND CONSULTATION ON NON-NATO AREAS. (BIERRING

WILL BE THE DANISH "SENIOR OFFICIAL" WHO WILL

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PARTICIPATE IN THE NAC DISCUSSION.) HE RESPONDED THAT

THE DANES WELCOMED THIS NEW FORM OF NATO CONSULATION AND HOPED IT COULD BE COINCIDENT WITH THE NEXT HARTMAN-SONNENFELDT MEETING WITH THE EC POLITICAL DIRECTORS. AT THE SAME TIME, BIERRING SHOWED A CONCERN ABOUT THE PROPOSED AGENDA SIMILAR TO THAT OF THE UK EMBASSY COUNSELOR IN WASHINGTON (STATE 029678). IN BIERRING'S VIEW IT WOULD BE BEST IF THE OFFICIALS BEGAN MODESTLY, PERHAPS FOCUSING ON ONE IMPORTANT SUBJECT. IN VIEW OF CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS, INCLUDING THE SECRETARY'S ANNOUNCED TRIP TO MOSCOW NEXT MONTH, HE SUGGESTED THAT IT MIGHT BE USEFUL TO HAVE THE FIRST EXCHANGE IN THE NEW FORMAT ON THE SUBJECT OF EAST-WEST RELATIONS. THE DANES SEE SOME PROBLEMS IN TRYING TO BROADEN THE SCOPE TOO MUCH IN THE INITIAL MEETING.

COMMENT: NOTHING SURPRISING IN THESE VIEWS, WHICH REFLECT THE DANISH TENDENCY TO COOPERATE IN NATO MATTERS WHILE DOING THEIR BEST TO DAMP DOWN ANY UNPLEASANTRY WITH THEIR EC PARTNERS.

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